

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Beacham Loop Retaining Wall Along Sycamore Creek Diversion Channel

Project Location – General: Chico, Butte County, CA

Project Location - Specific: The project is located in northeast Chico in the Foothill Park East No. 8 subdivision between the Beacham Loop roadway and the Sycamore Creek Diversion Channel (39.771942, -121.810575).

Description of Project: Grading and construction for Beacham Loop roadway within the Foothill Park East No. 8 subdivision requires the construction of approximately 300 feet of a reinforced concrete retaining wall along the embankment adjacent to the Sycamore Creek Diversion Channel to minimize the potential for erosion.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Chico

Name of Person Carrying Out Project: Brendan Ottoboni – Director, Public Works - Engineering

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3);15269(a);
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4);15269(b)(c);
- Categorical Exemption: Class 3, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities)
- Statutory Exemptions.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project involves installation of a reinforced concrete retaining wall in a highly disturbed area outside of the diversion channel immediately adjacent to a paved roadway. There are no unusual circumstances leading to a reasonable possibility that significant environmental impacts will result from the project. Therefore, the City finds that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Section 15301.

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